

CITY of ELGIN

COUNCIL MINUTES FOR JUNE 11, 1996

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COUNCILORS PRESENT-

Kevin Cooper
Pat McMullen
Rick Smith
Greg Dyer
Berta Churchill

ABSENT-

Randy McKone- Mayor
John Stover

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Council President Kevin Cooper.

Approval of Minutes

The President called for approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 1996. Councilor Churchill moved to approve the minutes of May 14, 1996 as presented, with Councilor McMullen as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Supervisors Reports

The President called for the supervisors reports.

Police-

Chief Sibley reported that the billboard speed trailer was in town and would be placed around on various streets for the next several days. He asked the Council to consider a merit increase for Officer Weaver, as he had been removed from probation. It has been the practice of the Council to award Officers with an increase at the end of probation. There was a discussion regarding the increases to be granted at the beginning of the next fiscal year, and how an increase for Officer Weaver now, would relate to next year's increases. Chief Sibley noted that giving a merit increase now, the Council would only need to consider a cost of living increase on July 1.

After discussion Councilor Churchill moved to give a merit increase now and cost of living in July, with Councilor McMullen as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

(Note: the COPS Fast grant states that the candidate would receive a merit increase of \$0.65 at the end of the 1st year, and a cost of living of 4%. The current wage is 9.86; thus the wage will be \$10.51 now and 10.93 with 4% added as cost of living in July)

Chief Sibley also noted that the graffiti on Cedar Street bridge needed to be painted over before RiverFest on Saturday.

Public works- Kyle Boylen; Absent, no report.

Library- Sandra Good; Absent, written report submitted.

Fire- Chief McDonald; Absent, no report.

Ambulance-

Merle Laci presented a proposal for the purchase of an ambulance to the Council. After reviewing the available ambulances, the EMTs have agreed that they would like to purchase a MedTec ambulance from Pacific Emergency Vehicles, Inc. Mr. Laci presented a letter to the Council explaining the reasons for their choice. With all of the additions and equipment that they would like, the price is \$77,920. The base price without additional equipment and standard construction is \$69,280.

Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District has awarded a bid to Pacific Emergency Vehicles, Inc. for a MedTec ambulance, on an open bid. The City can, therefore, purchase off of their bid without having to go through its own bid process.

Councilor Dyer moved to proceed with the purchase of a MedTec Ambulance, as specified by the EMT's request, from Pacific Emergency Vehicles, Inc., with Councilor Churchill as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Municipal Court- Ralph Howell; Absent, written report submitted.

Recorder/Administrator-

Joe Garlitz informed the Council of the action by EOSC, Regional Service Institute, to get a fiber optic POP (point of presence) for the County. He also informed the Council that Strickland has offered to decorate the City Hall landscaping with red rock. He has suggested placing rock around the building and along the slope next to the sidewalk in front of the building for \$350. After discussion, Councilor Smith moved to increase the landscaping budget by \$300 to be used to decorate with rock, against the building, and with ground cover shrubs along the slope next to the sidewalk, with Councilor Churchill as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Citizens to Speak

Annabelle Horrell, representing the Elgin Food Bank, presented a site plan for placing the Food Bank store on PGG property at 10th and Baltimore. The Food Bank plans to move the old Assembly of God church building from Alder and set it up at 10th and Baltimore. The property is zoned Central Business, thus the store use is an outright use. However, the zoning ordinance requires a site plan review by the Council for commercial development. The site plan calls for leasing a parcel 100 feet by 100 feet immediately adjacent to 10th and Baltimore. The Building would be set up with the store front facing Baltimore. Off-street parking will be provided on the east and west sides of the building. Power, water and sewer services are available on the adjacent streets. Councilor Smith moved to approve the site plan as presented, with Councilor McMullen as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.

Jesse McDonald was present representing Elgin 2010. Elgin 2010 is requesting disbursement of the remaining funds (\$5,850) budgeted for Elgin 2010, to be used as a match for the grant writing/technical assistance portion of the RIF grant application being submitted by the City. Councilor Cooper noted that though the funds were budgeted for Elgin 2010 activities, the City Council retained the authority to oversee disbursement of the funds. After discussion regarding the intent to use these funds for grant writing/technical support, Councilor Smith moved to release the balance of the Elgin 2010 budgeted monies for use as match in the grant application as noted, with Councilor Churchill as second. The vote was unanimous for approval, motion carried.